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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the specification, claims and abstract prior to the examination of the application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

A substitute specification is submitted herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1 and 2 and add new claims 3-6 as follows:

-- 3. A data bus arrangement for a plurality of nodes connected to each other, said arrangement comprising:

a logical decision gate having a plurality of inputs corresponding to said plurality of nodes;

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